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	CRYOABLATION PROCEDURE)
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Customer No:	23862)
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Attorney Docket:	11350.41)

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

X Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.

 A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

X Check No. 16894 is enclosed.

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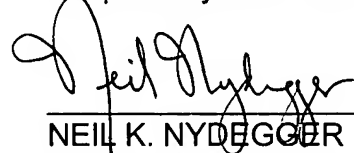
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X Any additional extension of time required for the timely submission of this paper, the fees for which have not been previously paid, is hereby petitioned for and requested.

DATED this 10th day of June, 2004.

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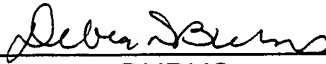
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